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**NINTH AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This amendment and notice of election is filed in response to the Office Action of July 27, 2006. Applicant hereby elects to pursue the invention of Group I identified in said Office Action (a distributed digital photo processing system), namely Claims 36 and 62.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

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